「これまで支えてくれた人達に
ちゃんとお礼の挨拶をしろよ」
これが最後の大会後、監督から
かけられた言葉・・・・
その言葉を本当の意味で
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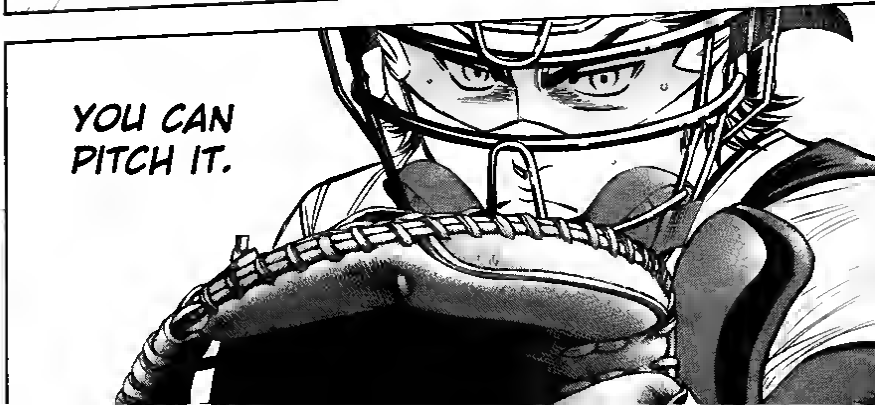
BRIDGESTONE
THIS GUY...

HE'S TRYING TO UNSETTLE HIS OPPONENT.
HE CAN'T HIT INSIDE CORNER PITCHES!
COVERING THE BASE THAT MUCH.
TOSHIBA
REGARDLESS OF THE PITCH, THIS IS THE PERSISTENCE TO GET ON BASE FITTING OF A CHAMPION
WHETHER IT'S FOUR-BALL OR DEADBALL...
IF THERE WERE EVEN THE SLIGHTEST SHADOW OF A DOUBT IN HIS HEART, THEY INTEND TO EXPLOIT THAT OPENING—

WILL FAVOR THE BATTER AND RULE OUTSIDE PITCHES AS A BALL, AS LONG AS THE BATTER DOESN'T ATTEMPT TO DODGE.
ALSO, IN HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL, THE UMPIRE
THERE IS NO OTHER WAY AROUND IT FOR US.

ATTACK RELENTLESSLY.


YOU CAN PITCH IT.

ATTACK, SAWAMURA.
TOSHIBA
KIRIN
DON'T RUN AWAY.
PUT YOUR FEELINGS INTO IT.

THAT IS YOUR WEAPON—...
20
TA-

THE FIRST PITCH
IS A LOW OUTSIDE PITCH.
Your pitch is fast!
O K !!
SAWAMURA...
TOSHIBA
ATTACK...
GO FOR IT—!!

EASY—...

FOUL!
I'M STILL SWINGING TOO LATE..
tch
HE DOESN'T WANT TO LET THE BATTER GET ON BASE...
THERE'S ALSO ALL THE PRESSURE FROM PITCHING IN THE 9TH INNING.
IT LOOKS HARD TO PITCH IT TO THE INSIDE CORNER.
...

IF YOU PITCH AN EASY ONE, I WON'T HOLD BACK—
KISHU
SEIKO
TOSHIB
YOUR PITCH IS GOOD, SAWAMURA!
IT'S ALL RIGHT!
waver
I WON'T STAND STILL AND DO NOTHING LIKE A SCARECROW...

WHY...DID I COME THIS FAR...
...WHAT REASON
FOR..
ドクン
TO

WHAT KIND OF PLACE THE KOSHIEN IS...
I DON'T KNOW
IF I RUN AWAY RIGHT NOW...
IT FEELS LIKE I WON'T GET A SECOND CHANCE TO PITCH AGAIN...

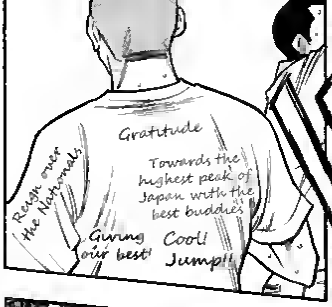
I WILL NOT RUN AWAY—

Uniden
ユニデン
Uniden

7

ONE MORE OUT...

IF IT'S LIKE THIS...
HE DID SWING HIS ARM FULLY AND HIS PITCH WAS POWERFUL...
THE TRAJECTORY WAS TOO EASY. BUT...
I NEED TO PITCH IT HARSHER.
HARSH-ER



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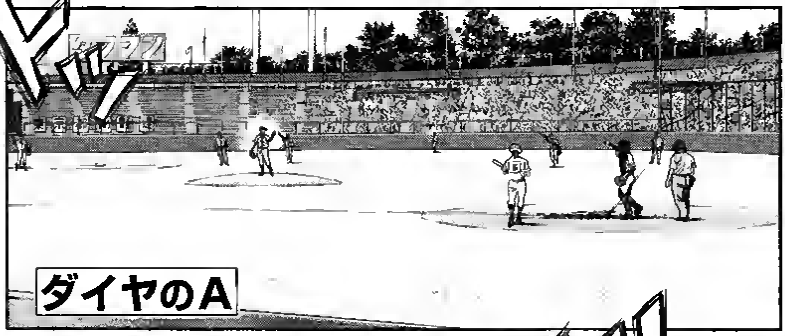

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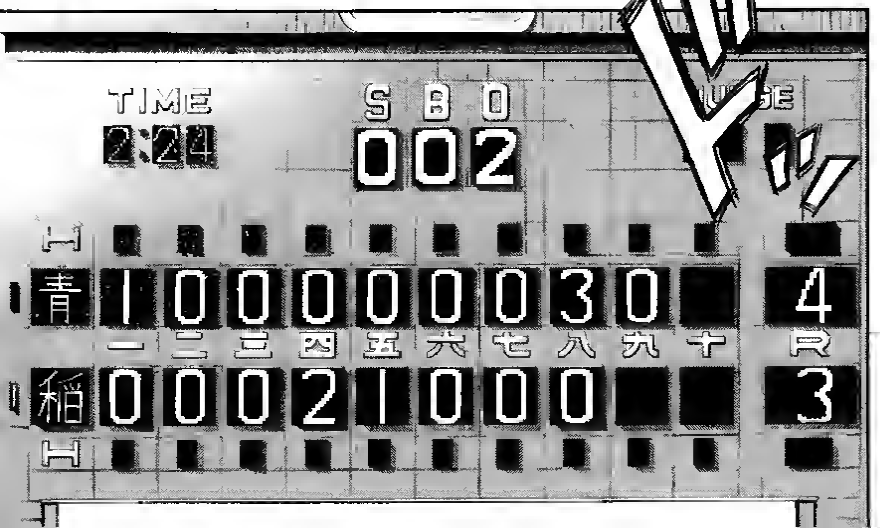

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TOSHIBA
KIRIN
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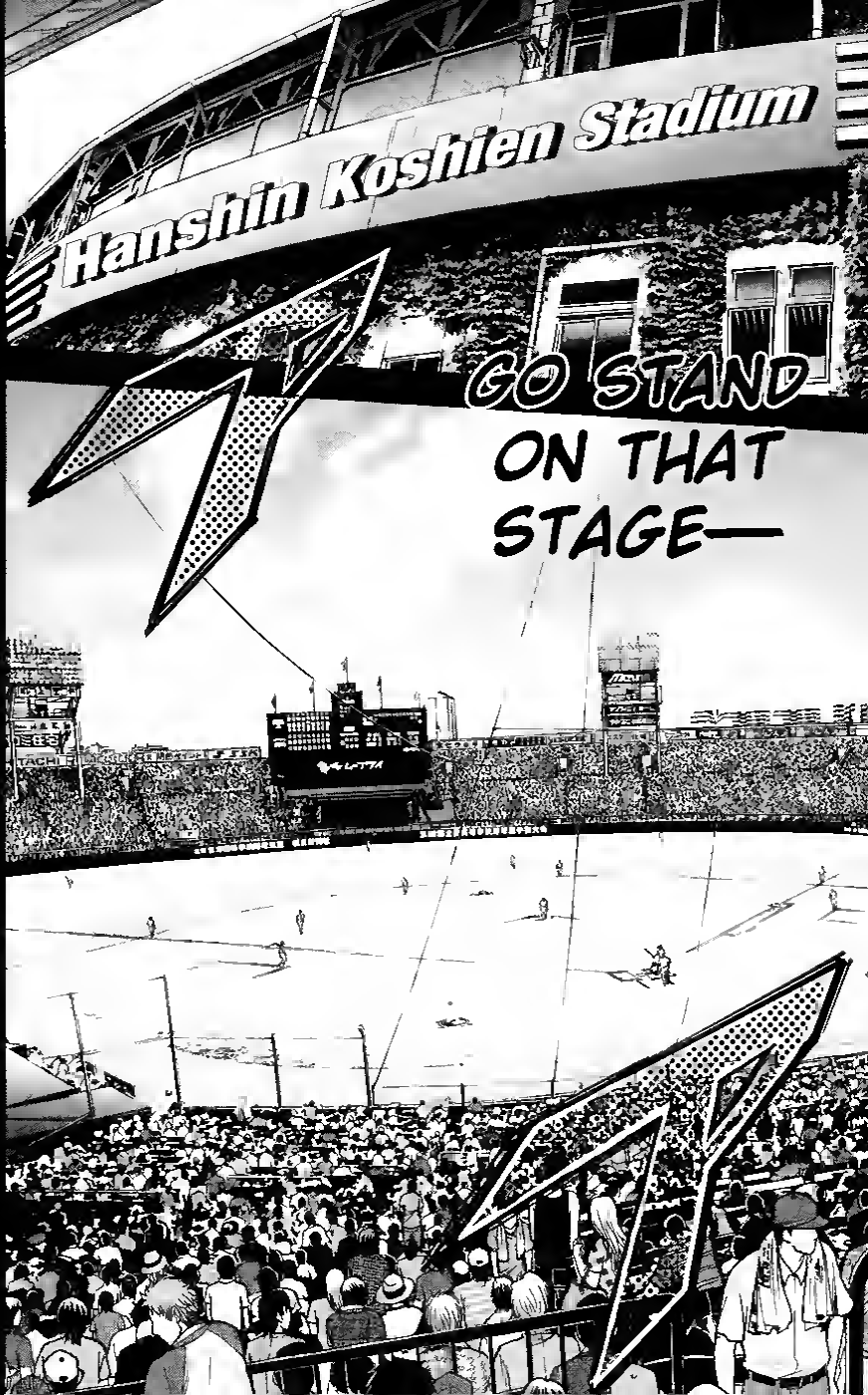
ONE MORE!
Asahi アサヒビール
END THIS! SEIDOU——!!
SEIDOU HIGH HAS DRIVEN LAST YEAR'S CHAMPION INTO A CORNER!
LET'S GO!
ONE MORE!
ONE MORE!!
ONE MORE!
IT'S NOT OVER YET! DON'T GIVE UP!!

ONE MORE OUT!
ONE MORE OUT TO KOSHIEN.
WE CAN GO FOR SURE.
WE CAN GO.
One, one more!
WE WILL WIN.


Hanshin Koshien Stadium
GO STAND
ON THAT
STAGE—

GO FOR IT,
SHIRA-KAWA!

ONE MORE!
ONE MO-RE!
IT'S BEST IF YOU CAN TAKE HIM OUT RIGHT NOW—...
THIS GUY IS ALSO CLOSE TO THE BASE...
IT'S ALL RIGHT TO THROW AN EASY PITCH! JUST SWING YOUR ARM FULLY!!
SAWAMURA'S PITCHES ARE POWERFUL.
HE'S A BATTER WE NEED TO WATCH OUT FOR.
BUT HE CAN'T HIT HOME-RUNS.
TOSHIBA
KIRIN

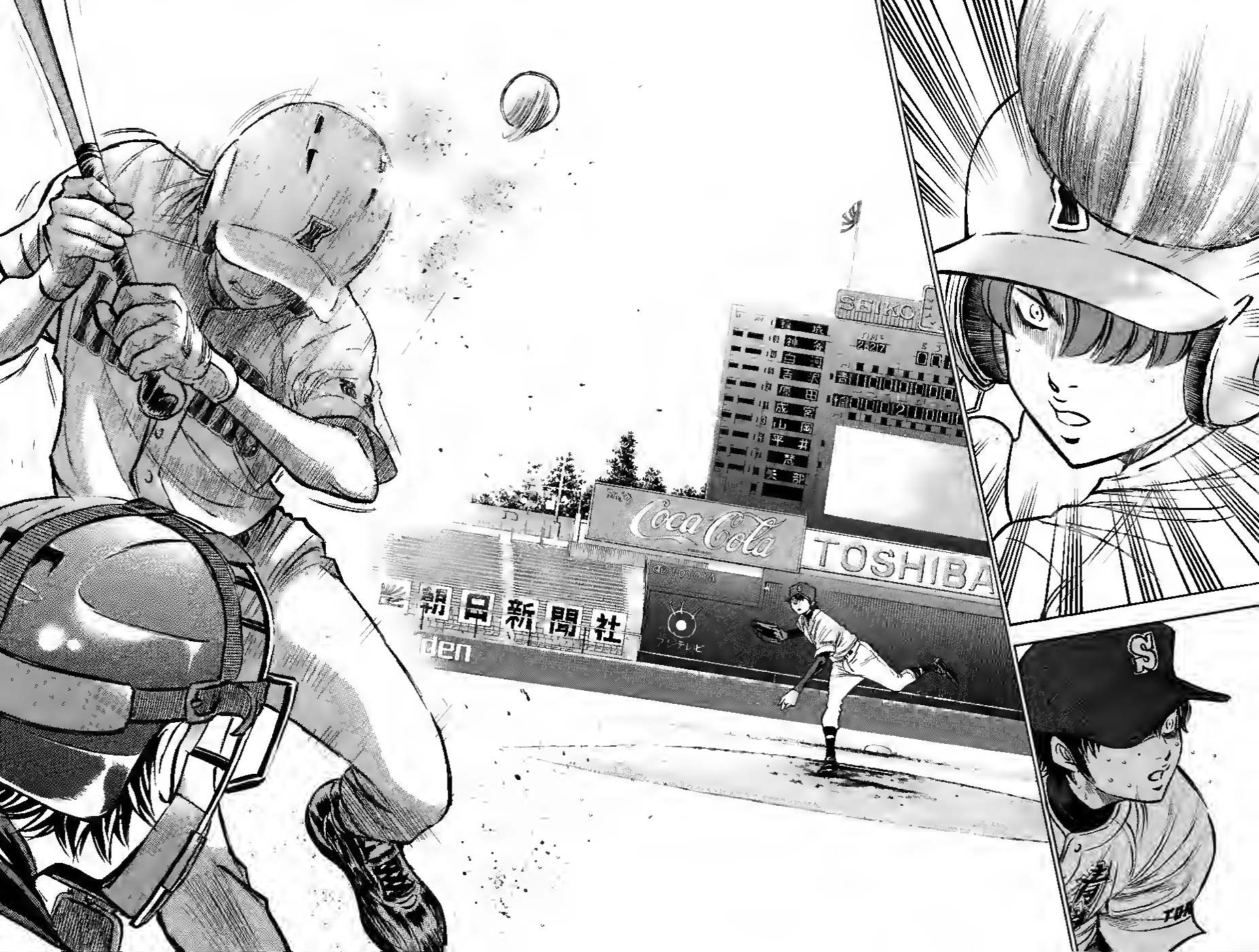
I WON'T LOSE
IN TERMS OF SPIRIT!
SAWA-MURA!
SHIRAKA-WA-KUN!
FINISH HIM—

HOW CAN I
RUN AWAY RIGHT NOW!!

TOSHIBA
2
ONE MORE!
ONE MORE!
HARSHER...
PITCH IT HARSHER

ONE MORE!
HARSHER...
ONE MORE!
ONE MORE!
HARSHER

HARSHER—...


SEIKO
Coca-Cola
TOSHIBA
朝日新聞社

Enjoy
Coca-Cola
TOYOTA
SAKURA
SHIBA
OUT

DE...

DEAD-
BALL!!

CHAPTER 186 / AFTERMATH

PLEASE WAIT PATIENTLY TILL THE GAME RESUMES.
SHIRAKAWA-KUN WAS HIT BY A DEADBALL ON THE HEAD
AND WAS TAKEN TO THE DUGOUT TO RECEIVE TREATMENT
IS HE ALL RIGHT?
HE STOOD UP ALMOST IMMEDIATELY... BUT IT'S STILL THE HEAD...

IN THIS SITUATION, IT IS ACCEPTABLE TO SEND IN A PINCH RUNNER
ISN'T THAT THE RULE FOR PROFESSIONAL GAMES!?
WITH THIS, WILL THE PITCHER BE TAKEN OFF THE FIELD FOR PITCHING DANGEROUSLY?

* IN THE SITUATION WHEN A BATTER IS UNABLE TO GET ON BASE DUE TO A DEADBALL THE PREVIOUS BATTER REPLACES HIM AS THE RUNNER

I'M FINE.
IT ONLY HIT MY HELMET ...
OI... THAT'S ENOUGH. SIT DOWN.
I THOUGHT HE WAS A FEARLESS 1ST YEAR...
BUT I GUESS HE'S FEELING THE PRESSURE...

I'M GLAD THAT 1ST YEAR IS
MORE THAN A MERE IDIOT WHO DOESN'T FEEL PRESSURE...

NOT LIKE YOU DID IT ON PURPOSE!
Don't apologize!!
Hyahahaha
SORRY
DON'T MIND IT!
IT'S BECAUSE THE BATTER IS STANDING THAT CLOSE TO THE BASE
SORRY
IT'S BECAUSE HIS DEADBALL LANDED ON THE WORST PLACE POSSIBLE—
HE ISN'T TROUBLED JUST BECAUSE HE LET A RUNNER GET ON BASE.
EIJUN -KUN
YOU...

KAWAKAMI!
SAWAMURA
20
6

YOU HAVE MY UTMOST RESPECT FOR FIGHTING WELL AND NEVER RUNNING AWAY
UNTIL THE VERY END.

YOU PITCHED WELL—...

ALSO, IT'S THE LAST INNING, WITH KOSHIEN HANGING IN THE BALANCE...
THERE'S NO WAY HE WOULDN'T FEEL PRESSURED...
NO MATTER HOW STRONG-WILLED HE IS, HE'S JUST A 1ST YEAR...
20

MAYBE SAWAMURA COULD HAVE DONE IT...
EVERYONE HAS BEEN THINKING SO WITHOUT NOTICING—...
ガヤ
SEIDOU HIGH IS CHANGING THEIR PITCHER RIGHT NOW.
SENDING THE 4TH PITCHER KAWAKAMI-KUN TO THE MOUND.
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Hmph
SAWAMURA
...
I WON'T RUN AWAY EITHER.
BECAUSE I WILL KEEP ATTACKING LIKE YOU.

10
20
SAWAMURA!
KEEP YOUR HEAD UP!
YOU PITCHED WELL—
GOOD JOB!!

SAWA MURA!
IT'S UP TO KAWAKAMI NOW!
LET'S GO TO KOSHIEN!!
IT WILL SURELY BE ALL RIGHT!!
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アサヒビール

パチ
パチ

NICE PITCH!

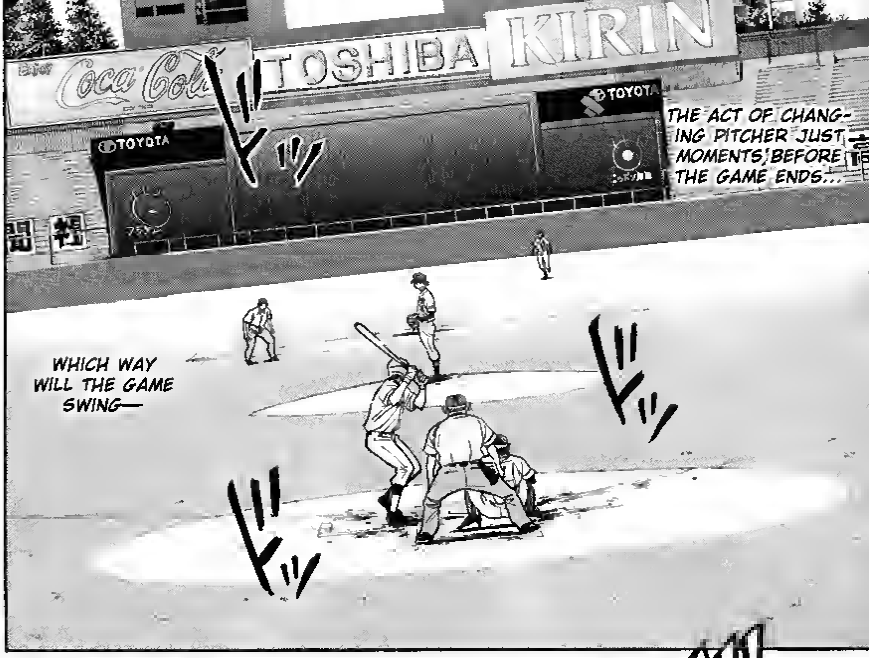
LET KAWAKAMI WRAP THIS UP PERFECTLY!
NOW, NOW, ONE MORE OUT!
2
ストライク
OK, LAST ONE!
CARLOS IS THE PINCH RUNNER—
...
FROM HERE ON, IT'S ALL CLEANUP BATTERS...
...ALSO

JUST ONE MORE OUT TO END THIS GAME...
INASHIRO ISN'T THE SORT OF TEAM TO GAMBLE IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION.
Asahi
BUT... IF HE DECIDES TO STEAL BASE...
THEY COULD TIE THE SCORE WITH ONE HIT—
ASHIRO
WE'RE THE ONES BEING DRIVEN TO A CORNER...
DON'T PANIC.

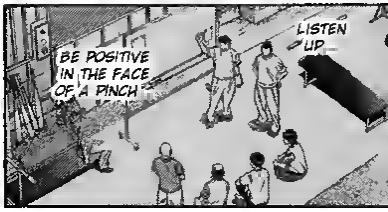
JUST FOCUS ON GETTING 1 OUT—
FIGHT IT OUT WITH THE BATTER!!
BOTTOM OF THE 9TH, 2 OUTS, RUNNER ON 1ST.
2 OUT!
UP NEXT IS 3RD BATTER 3RD BASEMAN YOSHIZAWA -KUN.
2 OUT!!

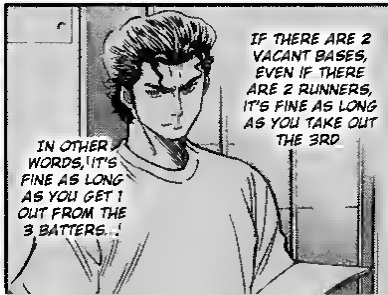
ONE MORE!!
ONE MORE!!
FINISH IT NOW!!
TOSHIBA
NORI —!!
KAWAKAMI -SENPAI!
2
TAKE HIM OUT!!
LET HIM HIT IT!
FOCUS ON THE BATTER!

WITH SUCH A HUGE LEAD, IT'S NOT SURPRISING THAT HE'D BE WARY OF THE RUNNER.
YEA... HE WON'T JUST LET THE RUNNER STEAL WITHOUT DOING ANYTHING.
IN THE END... ALL 4 PITCHERS WERE SENT TO THE MOUND—...


TOSHIBA
KIRIN
TOYOTA
THE ACT OF CHANGING PITCHER JUST MOMENTS BEFORE THE GAME ENDS...
WHICH WAY WILL THE GAME SWING—

I CAN HEAR THE VOICES AROUND ME WELL.
IT'S ALL RIGHT


BE POSITIVE IN THE FACE OF A PINCH
LISTEN UP


IF THERE ARE 2 VACANT BASES, EVEN IF THERE ARE 2 RUNNERS, IT'S FINE AS LONG AS YOU TAKE OUT THE 3RD
IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S FINE AS LONG AS YOU GET 1 OUT FROM THE 3 BATTERS...!

A GOOD GAME OF THIS CALIBER...

IF I SAID I DIDN'T WANT TO PLAY IN THE GAME,
I'D BE LYING...
EVEN IF IT'S JUST 1 OUT,
I WANT TO GIVE IT MY FULL STRENGTH.

CHAPTER 187 / CROSSROADS

THIRD BATTER YOSHIZAWA HASN'T HAD A SINGLE HIT ALL DAY.
HE'D BE ITCHING TO SETTLE THIS RIGHT NOW.
DON'T FREAK OUT, PEOPLE—
IT'S JUST ONE MORE OUT!!
2
IF THEY MANAGE TO GET THEIR 4TH BATTER AT BAT, THERE'S NO TELLING HOW THINGS MIGHT GO—

HE'LL HIT THE FIRST PITCH...
ANYWAY, PITCH A LOW ONE...
swish
DRAW HIM IN AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, AND HIT IT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE CENTER AND RIGHT FIELDS.
A SIDEARM PITCH FROM THE TOP OF HIS SHOULDER.
BOTTOM OF THE 9TH, 2 OUTS, RUNNER ON 1ST.
THE ALL-IMPORTANT FIRST PITCH—
WITH JUST ONE MORE OUT TO GO, KAWAKAMI-KUN IS SENT TO THE MOUND IN A RUSH.

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STONE

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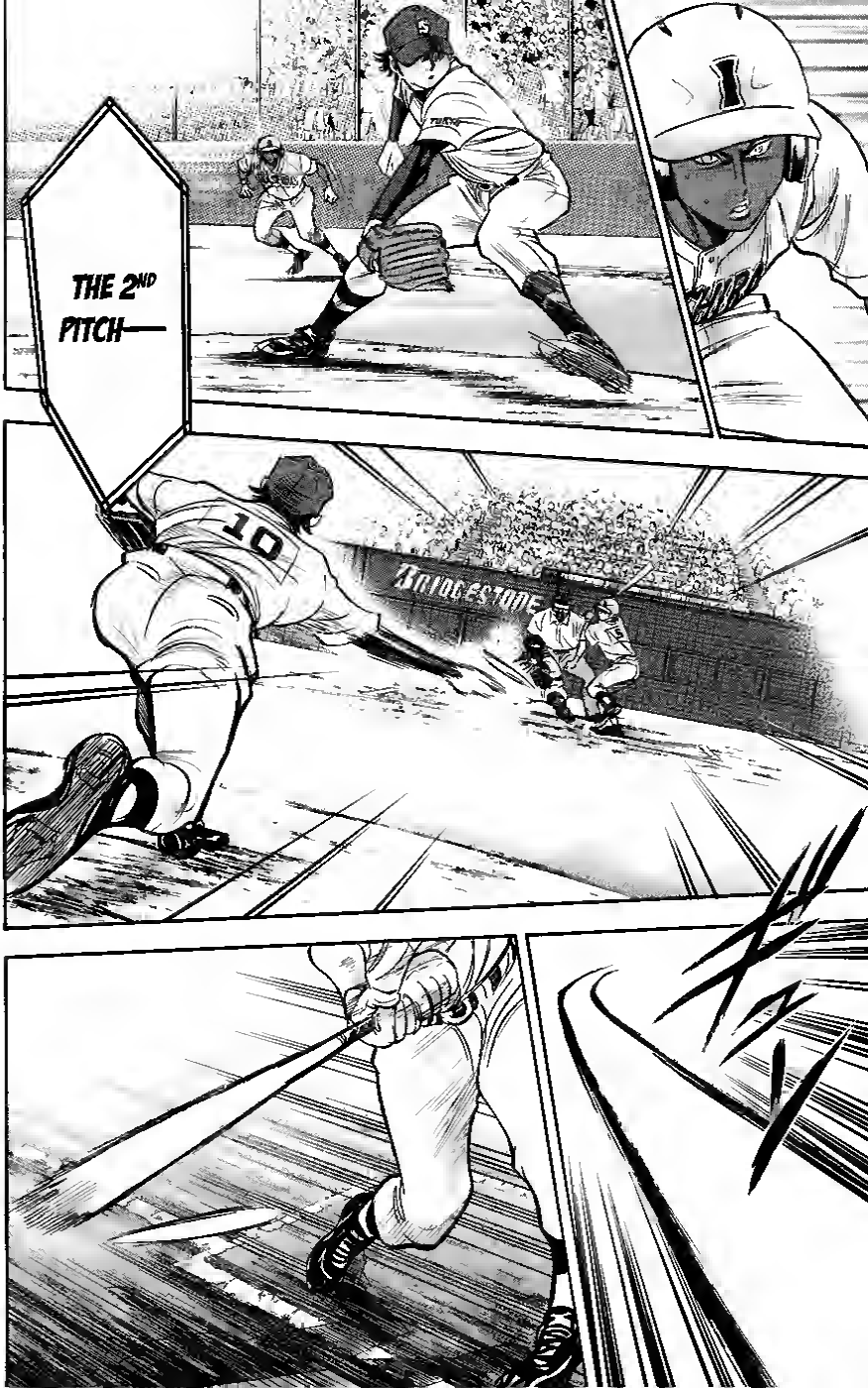
THE FIRST PITCH RESULTS IN AN OUTSIDE CORNER STRIKE!!
YEAH!
NICE BALL, NORI!!
YOU PITCH IT WITH SPIRIT!
GO FOR IT!!
YOSH YOSH, THIS IS KAWA-KAMI!!


THE 2ND PITCH——
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Bridgestone

HE FANNED ON THE SLIDER!
TWO OUT, AND THEY ARE ALREADY DRIVEN TO A CORNER—
tch

HE'S RIDING ON THE MOMENTUM OF GETTING A STRIKE FROM HIS FIRST PITCH...
HIS PITCHES ARE SHARP
ONE MORE PITCH!
FINISH IT!!
FINISH IT—!!
YOSHI-SAN!

ONE MORE PITCH!
WAY TO GO, NORI!!
A SLIDER TO THE OUTSIDE!
GOOD EYE!! GOOD EYE!!
GO FOR IT!
THE COUNT IS 2 AND 2.

ONE MORE STRIKE TO GET TO KOSHIEN.
THE ONE TO FINISH THIS IS PITCHER KAWAKAMI.
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THE 5TH PITCH SEPARATING VICTORY FROM DEFEAT——

STEAL!
ISHIRO
RUN IF YOU WANT!!

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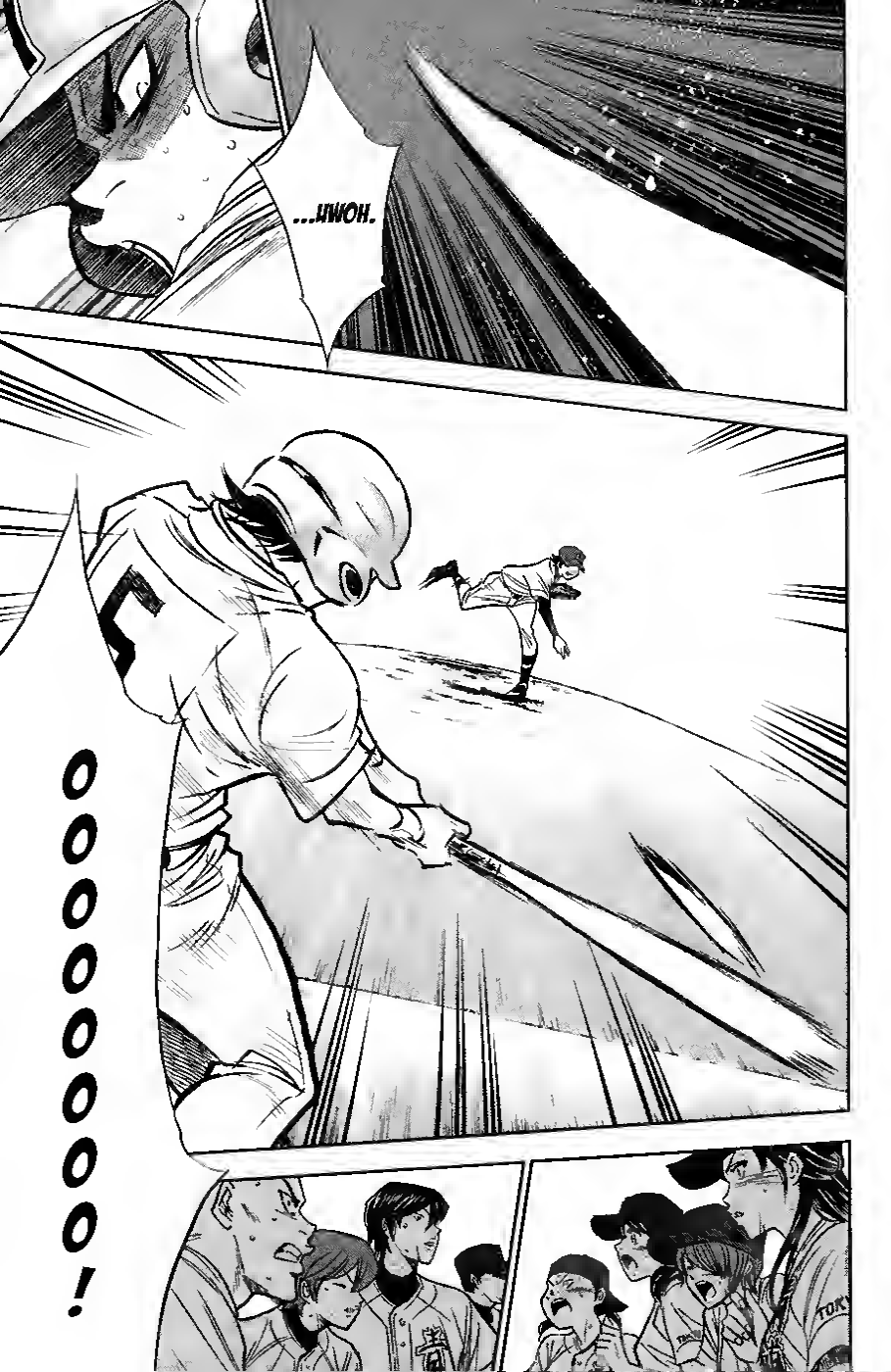

...UWOH.
OOOOOOOOO!

FOUL!

AND ALSO NARUMIYA.
SHIRAKAWA
YAMAOKA...
INASHIRO
CARLOS
BUT...
THE CORE STRENGTH OF INASHIRO THIS YEAR ARE THE 2ND YEARS...
I KNOW EVERYONE'S BEEN SAYING SO...
WE, THE 3RD YEARS, HAVE WILLPOWER—

THE CLEANUP
HAS PRIDE.
THE RUNNER HAS STARTED MOVING...
THAT'S EXPECTED.
THE MOMENT THE BAT MISSES, THE GAME WILL BE OVER.
FROM HERE ON,
IT IS A ONE-PITCH MATCH—

JUST ONE PITCH
TO DECIDE THE OUTCOME—...

KAWAKA-
MI—!!
FINISH
THIS—!!

THE PITCHER SUBBED IN AT 2 OUTS HAS PITCHED 4 BALLS.
WITH A RUNNER IN SCORING POSITION AND THE 4TH BATTER UP TO BAT—
HE CHOSE WELL! A WALK!!
WASHIRO
Coca-Cola
TOYOTA

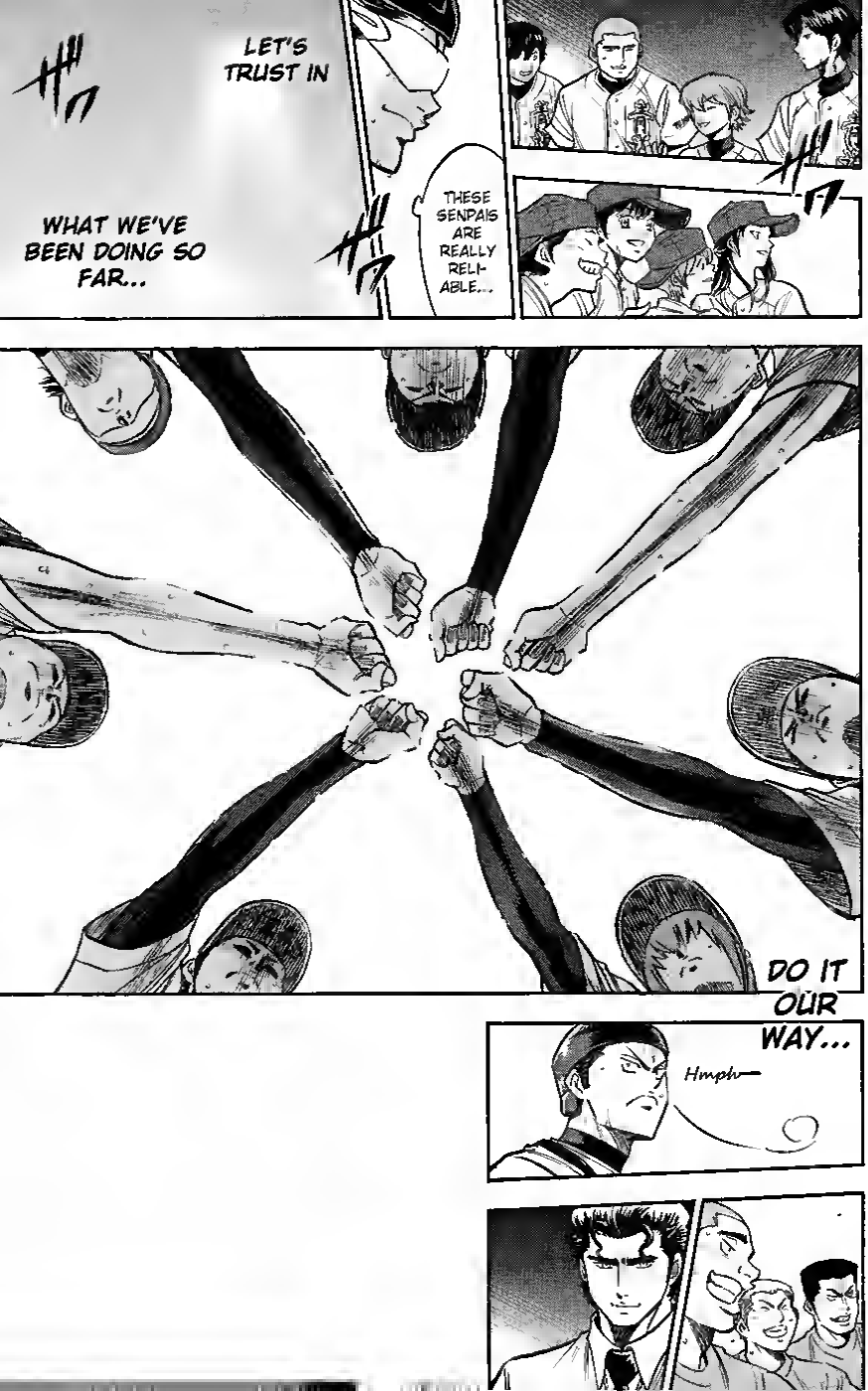
BOTTOM OF 9TH INNING
TWO OUTS, RUNNERS ON 1ST AND 2ND.
IT'S UP TO YOU!
AT THE VERY LAST MOMENT, INASHIRO GET THEIR GREATEST CHANCE TO WIN BACK 1 RUN.
ON THE OTHER HAND, SEIDOU NEEDS 1 MORE OUT.
MASA—

THE GREATEST TRIAL JUST BEFORE VICTORY!
KIRIN
TOYOTA
東京
SEIDOU HIGH ARE REQUESTING THEIR 3RD AND FINAL TIMEOUT FOR THE DEFENSE RIGHT NOW.

CHAPTER 188 / CRITICAL MOMENT

THE MESSENGER IS ACE TANBA-KUN—
YEAH!
ALSO, REMEMBER TO VOICE OUT TO OTHERS!
THERE ARE RUNNERS ON BASE! JUST GET THE NEAREST ONE!
TANBA... A MOMENT, PLEASE.
Ah.
WE'LL LET YOU HAVE THE GLORY! NORI!
Hyahaha
PITCH TO YOUR HEART'S CONTENT!
KAWAKAMI! YOUR PITCHES ARE FAST!
YES!
YOU'RE SPIRIT-ED!

rub rub
rub...
SORRY, JUST A LITTLE LONGER!!
KAWAKAMI... IS THAT ENOUGH?
rub rub
rub rub
YOSH! NOW WE'LL BE ALL RIGHT!
TANBA, NICE!
Nice heads!!
PLEASE!
shine
KAWAKAMI! DO YOU WANT SOME FROM HERE TOO?
WHAT IS THAT RITUAL...
IS IT SOME SORT OF CHARM?
Count me in, too~~~
BASTARDS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?


LET'S TRUST IN
WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING SO FAR...
THESE SENPAIS ARE REALLY RELIABLE...
DO IT OUR WAY...
Hmph—

THE RESULTS WILL FOLLOW—
YEAH!
YEAH!

LET'S GO!
THE OUTFIELDERS ARE STANDING A LITTLE FURTHER OUT OF POSITION.
STOP THEM!
IS IT ALL RIGHT NOT TO MOVE UP A BIT TO THE FRONT?
Carlos is the runner on 2nd base.
OOHH!
TYING THE SCORE WITH 1 HIT—...
IF IT GOES OVER THEIR HEADS, THE 1ST BASE RUNNER WILL GET TO HOME BASE.
IF THEY TIE THE SCORE, THE GAME WILL EXTEND. IT'S BETTER TO BE WARY OF LONG HITS RIGHT NOW.

IF I HIT A LONG ONE, WE'LL GET A RUN BATTED IN—...

grip...
AFTER WE LAGGED BEHIND IN RUNS, MEI'S PITCHING...
NASHIRO
THERE'S NO WAY I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING AT ALL AS A TEAMMATE—

IF POSSIBLE, WITH MY OWN HANDS—...

WASHIKU

STRONG...
A STRONG HIT TO THE RIGHT—
THERE'S NO NEED TO BE OVERLY AFRAID OF HIM.
THIS GUY SHOULD BE FEELING THE PRESSURE
I DON'T NEED A LONG HIT. JUST HIT WITH YOUR OWN WAY OF BATTING—
AND DON'T FORGET YOUR OWN STYLE—
MAKE FULL USE OF THE CORNERS...!!

KAWAKAMI—
FINISH HIM!!
MASA-
SAN!
WE'RE
COUNTING
ON YOU!!
青道
TOKYO

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ドッ
ドッ
西東
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SHIBA KIRIN
TOYOTA
東京都高野連
UNIDEN

FIRST PITCH TO THE OUTSIDE CORNER.
BALL!
HE PITCHED TO THE OUTSIDE CORNER AS EXPECTED..
IT TAKES CONSIDERABLE COURAGE TO PITCH TO THE INSIDE CORNER RIGHT NOW...
HIT TO RIGHT FIELD?
EVEN IF THIS GUY HITS IT TO RIGHT FIELD, IT MIGHT BE A FLYER...
HE STEPPED WITHOUT HESITATION...

FOR KAWAKAMI TO MAKE FULL USE OF HIS SIDEARM PITCH,
HE HAS TO PITCH TO THE CORNERS...
IT'S HARD TO PITCH AFTER THAT DEADBALL, BUT...
RUNNING AWAY WON'T WIN US THE MATCH—
FIRST LINE
2

ATTACK THE INSIDE CORNER!!
SETTLE THIS...
grip
I WILL SETTLE THIS—

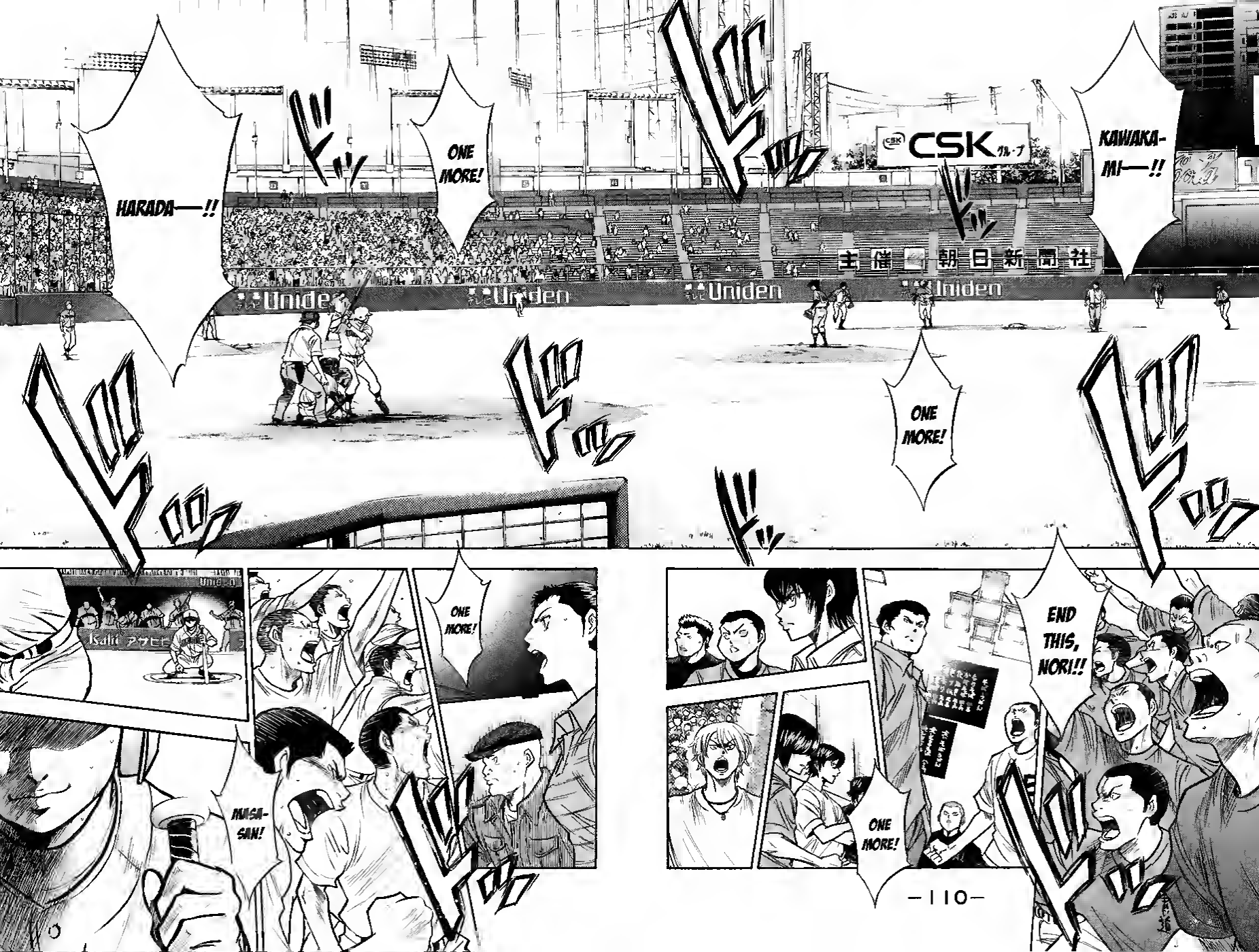
CHAPTER 189 / CROSS

LET HIM HIT IT! NORI!!
EVERYONE WILL DEFEND TO THE DEATH!
SHOW SOME SPIRIT!!
FINISH HIM!
Ohhh
ONE MORE!

THE ONE STANDING ON THE MOUND IS THE ACE!
EVERYONE HAS BEEN FIGHTING WITH THIS IN MIND!!
THE GAME THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW
END THIS!
NO-RI——!!
HOW FAR WILL YOUR STRONG-WILLED PITCHING GET YOU?
AFTER COMING THIS FAR,
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS YOUR SPIRIT.

BECAUSE I WILL KEEP ATTACKING LIKE YOU!!
I WON'T RUN AWAY, EITHER.
HARADA!
NORI-SENPAI...
MASA-SAN!!

SETTLE THIS...
I WILL SETTLE THIS—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ONE MORE!
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KAWAKAMI—!!
主催 朝日新聞社
Uniden
ONE MORE!
ONE MORE!
MASA-SAN!
ONE MORE!
END THIS, NORI!!

MASA-SAN.
LEAVE SOME GLORY FOR ME!
1
YOU CAN'T HOG EVERY-THING FOR YOURSELF.

IF THE GAME GETS EXTENDED, WE WILL DEFINITELY WIN!!
LISTEN UP! I DON'T NEED 2 RUNS!
ONE RUN IS ENOUGH!!

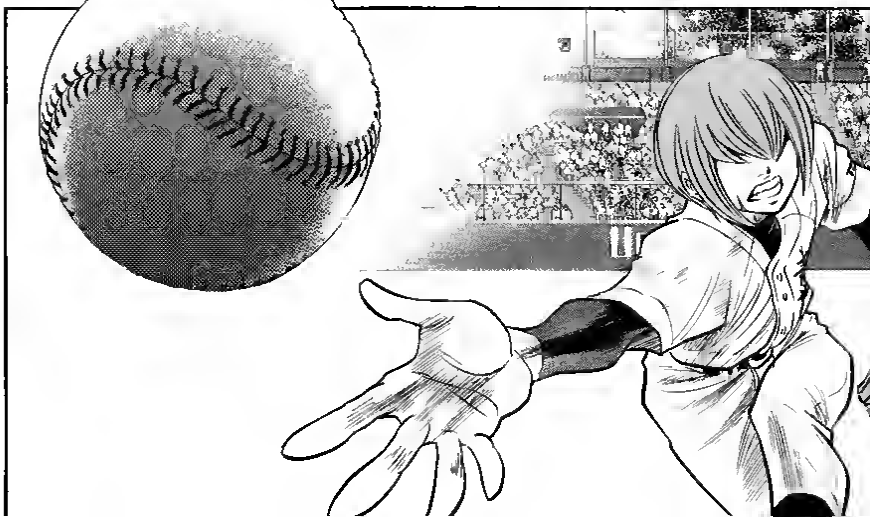
SWING MY ARM FULLY
WITH MY STRONG SPIRIT,

ATTACK,
WIN

Coca-Cola
TOSHIBA
TOYOTA

主催者朝日新
SH!

WASHUP

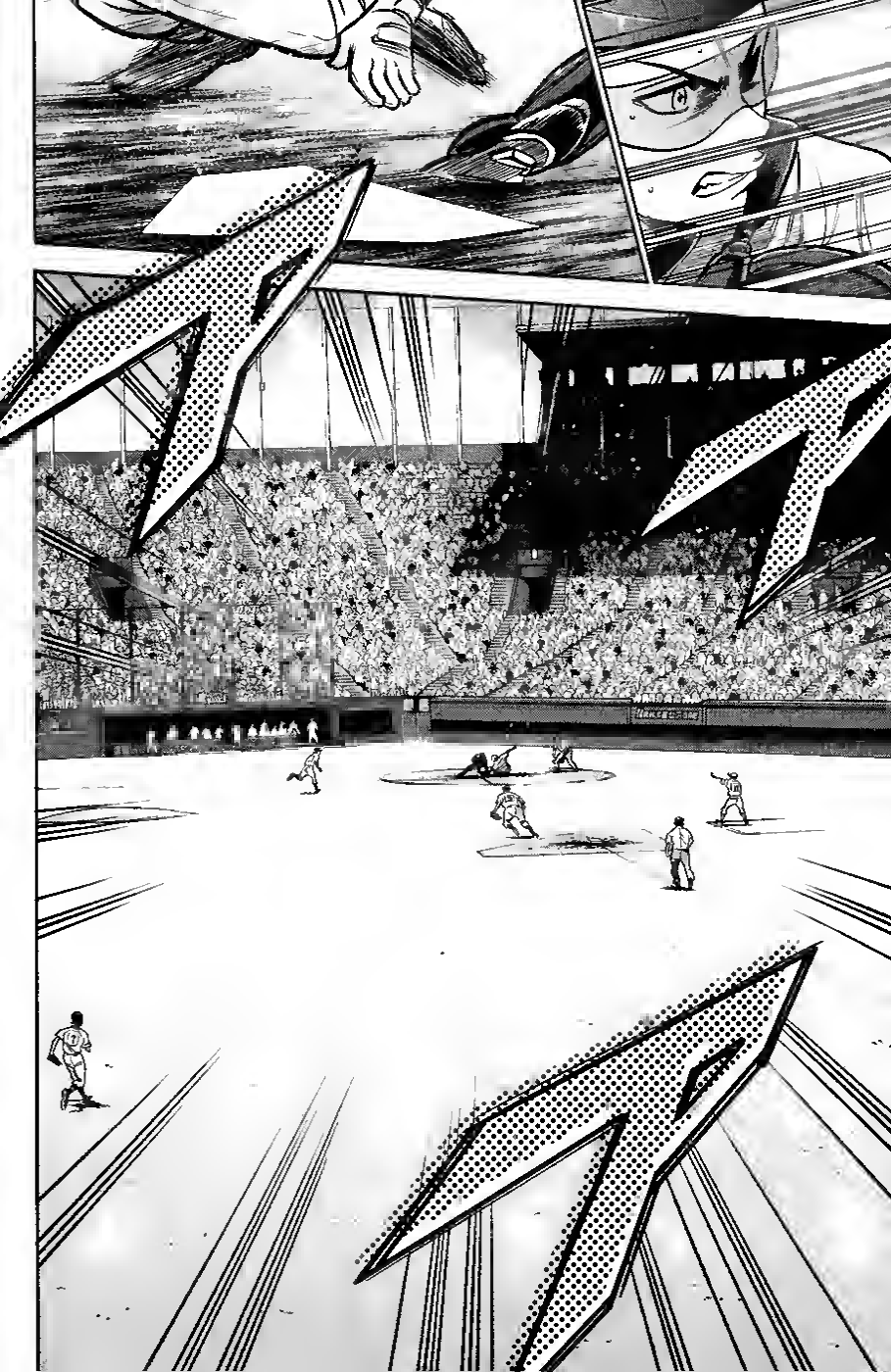


SA—
FE!
ONWARD
Uniden
SAFE!!
...THR

Uniden
THROW HOME!!
CARLOS!!
NO...

MIYU-
KI—!!
TOS
WOOOOOOH!

CHAPTER 190 / WITH JOY...



HE GOT HOME!
SCORES ARE TIED——!!

BOTTOM OF THE 9TH INNING
FROM 2 OUTS AND NO RUNNERS, THE CHAMPION PRESSURES RELENTLESSLY.

Carlos
ALTHOUGH 2ND BASEMAN KOMINATO-KUN STOPPED THE BALL TOWARDS THE CENTER FIELD,
HIS THROW DIDN'T MAKE IT.
HIRO
INASHIRO
SECOND BASE RUNNER CARLOS-KUN RETURNED HOME IN ONE GO.
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H

AT THE VERY LAST MOMENT, INASHIRO TECHNICAL RETURNED THE GAME TO THE WAY IT STARTED——!!
R
九 十

O...ONE MORE...
ONE MORE OUT TO KOSHIEN...!!

IT'S NOT OVER YET!
GET BACK IN THE GAME!

ENDURE THIS INNING AND CONNECT IT TO THE NEXT INNING.

AT THIS MOMENT, DO WHAT YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO DO—

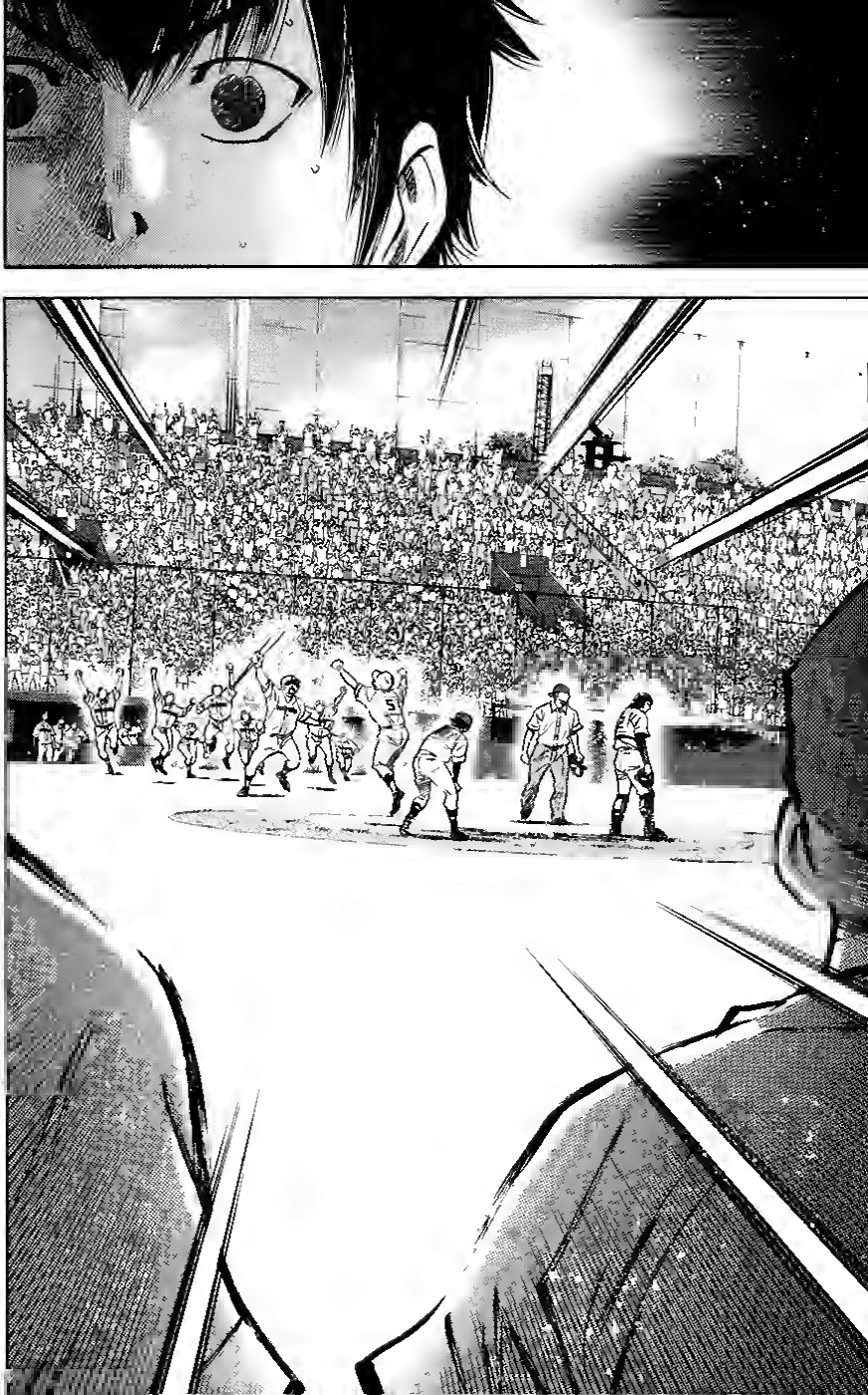
THAT'S RIGHT...
IT'S NOT OVER YET.

FACE FORWARD
THIS GAME IS NOT OVER YET—
CSK
TOSHIBA
KIRIN

STRIKE

BACK...
YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS.
NO!

Uniden
STOP—
2



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GAME
SET——
8

CHAPTER 191 / ECHO
A DRAMATIC END TO THE 9TH INNING
2 HOURS AND 53 MINUTES OF DESPERATE STRUGGLE,
AND THE ONE TO PUT AN END TO IT IS THE ACE WITH HIS BATTING—

THE SEIDOU HIGH PLAYERS LOOK ON WITH DISBELIEF.

JUST 1 MORE OUT SEPARATED THEM FROM THEIR DREAM STAGE.
Uniden
BUT THAT 1 OUT WAS BEYOND THEIR REACH!

LINE UP.
SAWA-
MURA...

EVERY-ONE, STAND UP...
LINE UP NOW ..
LINE UP PROPERLY ...

...I'M GLAD.
TOSHIBA
KIRIN
15
4
BECAUSE I'VE ALWAYS
BEEN TALKING BIG ALL THE TIME.
...I'M GLAD WE WON...

Coca-Cola
TOSHIBA
KIRIN
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PASSE

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HGOUNE
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WEST TOKYO CHAMPION-SHIP FINALS
SEIDOU-INASHIRO 4-5X
BRIDGESTONE
THE WINNER IS INASHIRO TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

THE SUMMER OF THEIR RETURN TO PRESTIGE,
SEIDOU HIGH LOST IN THE QUALIFIERS.

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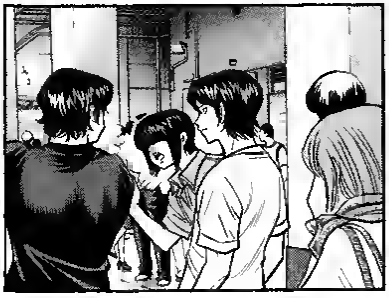
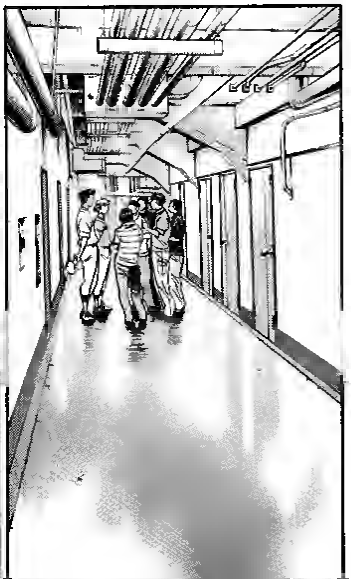


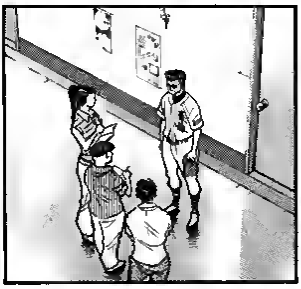
I NEVER FELT THAT WE WOULD LOSE
AREN'T YOUR EYES RED?



...YES, I HAD NO INTENTIONS OF REPLACING NARUMIYA.

BECAUSE OUR OPPONENT WAS STRONG INDEED.
IT'S THANKS TO THE PLAYERS WHO DID NOT GIVE UP UNTIL THE VERY LAST MOMENT.

GETTING 4 RUNS FROM NARUMIYA-KUN THROUGH HITS AND SQUEEZE PLAY.
THEY CORNERED A CHAMPION TO THE POINT OF ONE OUT LEFT...



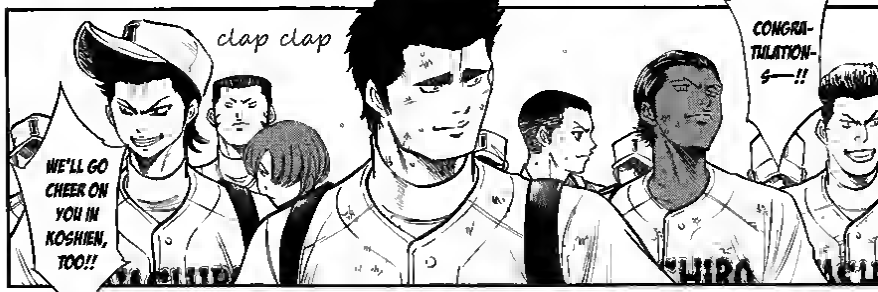
THE PLAYERS FOUGHT WELL.
I BELIEVE THEY PLAYED WITH THEIR SPIRITS HIGH.

CHAPTER 192 / SENSE OF REALITY

DO YOUR BEST AGAIN NEXT YEAR!!
clap clap clap
clap clap clap
clap
NICE GAME!
7
EVERYONE, KEEP YOUR HEADS HIGH!!
clap clap clap
clap clap clap
IT WAS A REAL PITY!!
DON'T CRY, ISASHIKI!
TETSU-SAN!
TETSU —
ISASHI-KI!!
WE ARE SORRY THAT WE FAILED TO MEET YOUR EXPECTA-TIONS!!

clap clap clap
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!
clap clap clap clap clap clap
THANK YOU!!
clap clap clap
DON'T APOLOGISE, YUUKI——!!
ALL OF YOU WERE GREAT!
clap clap clap
WE WILL CHEER ON YOU AGAIN——!!

clap clap clap
clap clap clap
MASA-SAN!
8入口
CONGRA-TULA-TIONS.
clap clap clap


clap clap
CONGRA-TULATION-S—!!
WE'LL GO CHEER ON YOU IN KOSHIEN, TOO!!

clap clap
HARADA!

GO FOR IT! DOMINATE THE NATION!

THESE ARE THE GATHERED FEELINGS FROM EVERY-ONE ON THE TEAM
PLEASE DO YOUR BEST... IN KOSHIEN...
IT'S HEAVY...
IF THOSE ARE THE THOUGHTS OF 11B SCHOOLS, IT'S TOO MUCH..

clap clap clap
THANK YOU!
clap clap clap
clap clap
YEAH!
clap clap clap
GO SEIZE THE TOP,
HARADA.
IF... I WERE IN THEIR POSITION...
WOULD I BE ABLE TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS...?

AS WEST TOKYO'S REPRESENTATIVES, WE CAN'T PLAY AN UNBECOMING GAME.
WASH
西東
FROM HERE ON, IT'S THE REAL SUMMER.
WE WILL FIGHT BRAVELY FOR THEIR SAKE AS WELL...

THEY WERE JUST ONE OUT AWAY,
AND THEN A TURNAROUND WALK-OFF

IT'S SIMILAR TO HOW WE LOST.
IT'S HARD NOT TO BE SENTIMENT-AL ABOUT IT...
AS THE DAYS PASS, THE REGRETS WILL ONLY GROW.

DO YOU EVEN HAVE ANYTHING TO DO?
STUDY! STUDY!!

WE HAVE TO CLOSE THE GAP BETWEEN US AND INASHIRO WHILE THEY ARE FROLICKING IN KOSHIEN, EVEN IF BY JUST A LITTLE.
BUT IF THEY PLAY IN KOSHIEN WON'T THEY RECEIVE A RECOMMEN-DATION...
SHUT UP!!
Don't talk about reality—!!

Sigh~
IT'S ABOUT TIME FOR ME TO GO...

WHETHER IT'S REGRETTING OR ACKNOWLEDGING ONE'S DEFEAT,
THE LOSER CAN ONLY MOVE ON TO THE NEXT STAGE.

THE SEIDOU GUYS,
EVEN IF THEY HATE IT, THEY WOULD HAVE NOTICED IT...

MINE-SAN..
5
I DON'T KNOW HOW I SHOULD PUT IT...
IT MIGHT BE UNBECOMING OF A JOURNALIST
BUT.. THE MOST IMPORTANT THING THAT DECIDED THE OUTCOME OF TODAY'S GAME...
BOTH TEAMS ARE STRONG
SEIKO
TOSHIBA
KIRIN
I THINK IT WAS A REALLY WORTHY GAME.
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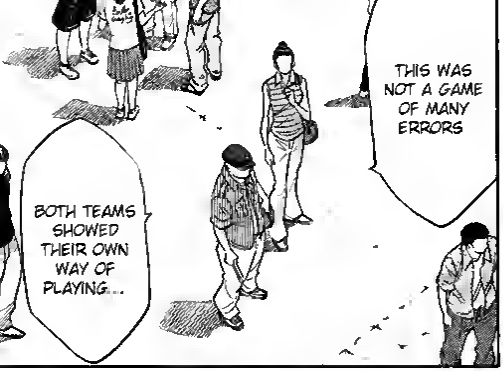
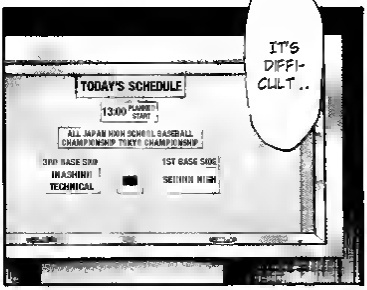
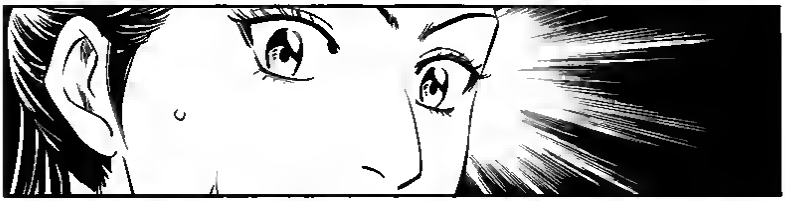

BOTH TEAMS SHOWED THEIR OWN WAY OF PLAYING...
THIS WAS NOT A GAME OF MANY ERRORS

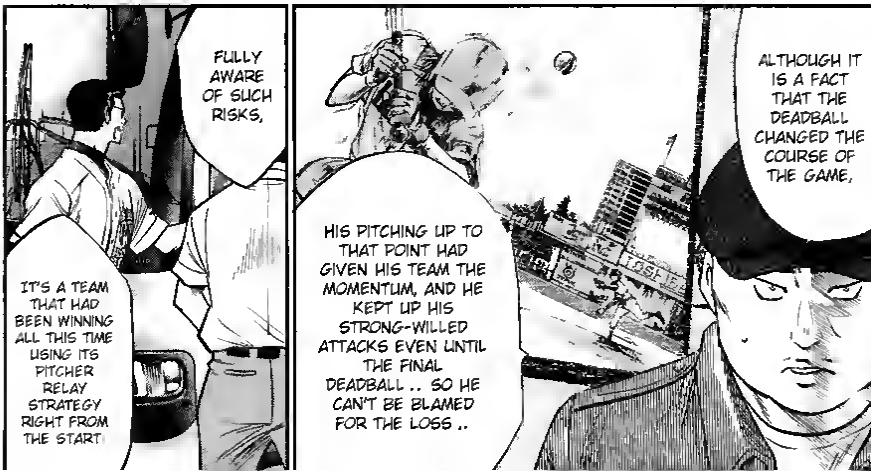

IT'S DIFFICULT..
TODAY'S SCHEDULE
13:00 PLAYBALL START
ALL JAPAN HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOKYO CHAMPIONSHIP
3RD BASE SIDE
INASHIKI TECHNICAL
1ST BASE SIDE
SEIDOU HIGH

THE WAY THE GAME PLAYED OUT, IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN A SURPRISE IF SEIDOU ENDED UP WINNING—

...EVEN SO, IF I HAD TO SAY WHY THEY LOST...
.....

IT WAS SEIDOU'S PITCHING STRENGTH FOR HAVING NO OTHER CHOICE BUT TO SEND A 1ST YEAR TO THE MOUND
IN THE IMPORTANT FINAL INNING, WITH KOSHIEN AT STAKE.




FULLY AWARE OF SUCH RISKS,
IT'S A TEAM THAT HAD BEEN WINNING ALL THIS TIME USING ITS PITCHER RELAY STRATEGY RIGHT FROM THE START!
HIS PITCHING UP TO THAT POINT HAD GIVEN HIS TEAM THE MOMENTUM, AND HE KEPT UP HIS STRONG-WILLED ATTACKS EVEN UNTIL THE FINAL DEADBALL .. SO HE CAN'T BE BLAMED FOR THE LOSS ..
ALTHOUGH IT IS A FACT THAT THE DEADBALL CHANGED THE COURSE OF THE GAME,

INASHIRO NARUMIYA-KUN HAD 2 WALKS.
...SEIDOU...
DO YOU KNOW THE NUMBER OF WALKS FROM BOTH TEAMS?
AH. . YES.
FROM 4 PITCHERS... 8
SEIDOU, WHOSE 4 PITCHERS RESOLUTELY ENDURE BY PLAYING ACCORDING TO THE SITUATIONS,
AND INASHIRO, WHO FIGHT AND WIN THROUGH TRUSTING THEIR ACE UNTIL THE END.

WITHOUT AN ABSOLUTE ACE,
AT THE VERY LAST MOMENT, THIS SLIGHT DIFFERENCE IN STRENGTH MIGHT SURFACE—
青道高校高等学

W...
WHY...
EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS JUST ONE MORE OUT TO GO...
...
EVEN THOUGH WE WERE
THE ONES WINNING...
...WITH THIS...
WITH THIS... IS IT OVER?

I SEE... JUST ONE MORE TO KOSHIEN.
...AH

FULFILLING MY DUTY FOR EVERY SINGLE GAME...
JUST DOING THAT TAKES EVERY-THING I'VE GOT
EEEHHH
Hahaha
TO BE HONEST, I HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT THAT.
.....
...GUH
HOW SHOULD I PUT IT, I
THE SENPAIS ARE ALL INCREDIBLE PEOPLE...
RESPECT-ABLE... COOL
AH!! ALTHOUGH THERE ARE IRRITATING ONES, TOO..

THIS TEAM LOST.

LOST...

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みんな試合が終わるまではと、見届けてくれたみたいです。

ありがとう！　感謝してます。

そんでまた別の形で刺激し合いましょう!!

寺嶋裕二

I WILL BECOME THE ACE!
THE ACE AMONG ACES!! KING OF ACES!!
FIRST WARM UP!
EVERYONE HAS THEIR RESOLVE IN THEIR HEARTS.
DON'T WANT TO COME TO A STANDSTILL.
THE NEW SEIDOU BASEBALL CLUB BEGINS!!
LOUDER!!
I HOPE WE HAVE A DESIRE FOR VICTORY TILL THE END.
I... WON'T HAND THE MOUND OVER TO ANYONE ANYMORE.
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